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1. IF FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ARISE AS TO HOW FOLLOW-ON AIRCRAFT AND TANK MODELS WOULD BE HANDLED UNDER OPTION III, MISSION MAY DRAW ON FOLLOWING, AS APPROPRIATE.
2. IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR RESOLUTION OF THESE AND OTHER POST-REDUCTION ISSUES A VARIETY OF FOLLOW-ON ARRANGEMENTS COULD BE CONCEIVED RANGING FROM AGREEMENT TO RELY ON ORDINARY BILATERAL COMMUNICATIONS TO MORE FORMAL CONTINUING MACHINERY.
3. THE CHOICE AMONG THESE POSSIBILITIES CANNOT BE MADE ON THE BASIS OF OPTION III CONSIDERATIONS ALONE. STABILIZING MEASURES, EXCEPTIONS FOR EXERCISES AND ROTATIONS, AND NEGOTIATED VERIFICATION MEASURES ALL MIGHT REQUIRE OR AT LEAST BENEFIT FROM FOLLOW-ON MACHINERY. THEREFORE, A NATO DECISION ON THE EXTENT TO WHICH FORMAL FOLLOW-ON MACHINERY IS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE DEPENDS ON THE CONTENT OF PHASE I AGREEMENT IN ALL THESE RESPECTS: EQUIPMENT LIMITATIONS, MANPOWER LIMITATIONS, STABILIZING MEASURES, AND NEGOTIATED VERIFICATION.
4. NATO THEREFORE NEED NOT DECIDE NOW WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT FOLLOW-ON MACHINERY IS APPROPRIATE BUT CAN MAKE THIS DECISION WHEN THE ACTUAL CONTENT OF A PHASE I AGREEMENT IS FORESEEABLE IN MORE DETAIL. SISCO

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